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## AN ALABANCE OF PRUD

Swindling Schemes Discovered

by Mayor Van Wyck.

## WILL PURSUE THE GUILTY

The District Attorney instructed to Thoroughly Investigate Special Reports of Plots of Officers Under Strong's Administration for Stealing City Funds.

New York, Oct. 4.—An expose of the affairs of the old department of public works, under the Strong administration, was presented to Mayor Van Wyck yesterday by Commissioners of Accounts Harte, Owen, and the mayor immediately sent for District Attorney Gardner and said:

"Five months ago I discovered what I considered a scheme to defraud and swindle the city in asphalt pavements. I called to my aid the commissioners of accounts, and I left this matter in their hands, whom I have known since I was a boy and in whom I have absolute confidence. He has, after months of diligent investigation and examination of tens of thousands of warrants, made a report to me today, which leads me to believe that the old department of public works was entirely honeycombed with fraud, and as the present mayor of the city of New York, it is my intention to break up this combination if I drive guilty people to the penitentiary."

## Gives Emphatic Orders.

"I want you to take this report and I want you to pursue the matter to the end, and I think there is enough evidence there to make some people who now stand high in the community disappear behind the grates bars of the State penitentiary. I turn this report into your hands, and also the special reports, and desire you to investigate this matter at once, and take such steps in the matter as the evidence which may come to you justifies. I want you to pursue the guilty parties until justice is meted out, and this you must do, whether they were a part of the past administration or are of the present administration."

Col. Gardner promptly assured the mayor that he would take action. He said: "When I was offered the nomination of district attorney I pledged myself to administer the office in the interest of the people, and in the interest of good government. I don't care who the party may be, if I find he has defrauded this beloved city of ours, his political association will have nothing to do with me. I will pursue him to the end of the earth. The district attorney's office will carry out this duty in the premises. I will carefully examine these entire papers, and give my undivided attention to the matter."

## Books Carelessly Kept.

The report starts with the administration of William Brookfield and ends with the regime of Gen. Charles R. T. Colts. It intimates that there were large unaccounted balances of appropriations for various purposes, and while the books showed the amount to be \$3,777,382, the actual sum was \$5,083,847. In other words, the department books showed \$1,306,465 more than they should. The commissioners of accounts state that the books and records of the department during 1896, 1897 and 1898 were carelessly kept, full of inaccuracies and omissions, many not fully written up, in fact, were in such a condition that only by the most persistent scrutiny could any accurate information be obtained from them.

More serious, however, are the statements in relation to asphalt pavement contracts. "We will simply refer," the accountants say, "to the practice of letting these contracts in the past to a favorite few by imposing such restrictions into the specifications which make it impossible for other than those connected with the asphalt combine to comply with and which we believe no one, unless he were peculiarly interested, would allow to exist in any legitimate business."

"We have collected such evidence as will, we believe, clearly show that New York city has been paying in the past three years about \$1 per square yard more than the same companies charged for the same work for the same number of years' maintenance in several large adjacent cities."

## Awful Prices for Asphalt.

"As in the past three years over 1,000,000 square yards of sheet asphalt have been laid, if the same amount were laid during your administration a reduction of \$1 per square yard would save for the city not less than \$1,000,000 as a result of such recommendations."

"If, as we claim, the city has been paying about \$1 per square yard more than the same companies charged for the same work for the same number of years' maintenance in several large adjacent cities, we claim that the past 'reform' administration has paid out in the three years not less than \$1,000,000 (to put it mildly) extravagantly and wastefully."

"This also accounts for the conclusion arrived at by Mayor Strong and Deputy Commissioner of Public Works Adolph H. Steele early in the year 1893, after a discussion of the asphalt paving problem between them and others at Mayor Strong's residence, when they expressed the final opinion that the city was paying too much for asphalt paving. We think it strange, having this knowledge, that nothing was done to remedy this situation, but that rather a higher average price per square yard was paid in 1897."

"That part of the report which seemed especially to arouse the indignation of the mayor related to the asphalt matter in which the old public works officials choked off competition. After referring to the fact that one company had control it is charged:

"This company has allowed, from time to time, according to the persistency of the competition, to come to the city in for a small share of the work, but making them pay tribute, in compelling them to purchase their crude asphalt from the company which Amel Harbour controls as president of the Trinidad Asphalt Company, and who succeeded in 'convincing' some of the officials of the department of public works that Pitch Lake Trinidad was the only standard of asphalt which would secure good pavements, and succeeded, in 1892, in having the clause inserted into the specifications:

## Other Shortcomings Shown.

The remainder of the commissioners of accounts' report and criticisms of methods had to do with coal supplied to and used by the three pumping stations of the Croton Aqueduct, under the bureau of the Commissioner of Public Works, during the years 1895, 1896 and 1897, in which, say the commissioners, "we show a shortage of about 3,422 tons, and amounting in value to about \$15,000, in the three years from which it is manifest that some system should at once be adopted whereby a complete check can be kept of the coal delivered and amount used by the city."

John C. Graham, superintendent of repairs and supplies, is blamed for permitting one contract called for "Another serious violation is the failure to have the coal weighed at the place of delivery, as provided for in the contracts. We particularly refer to the careless manner of keeping the receipts after the delivery of the coal, whereby receipts for nearly 1,200 tons, amounting to over \$5,000, delivered to twenty-three different locations, have been lost or misplaced."

Prompt and vigorous measures, it is hinted, are needed in the water purvey-

or's office, so that the "penalty imposed by law for violations thereof" may be enforced. Bills for water consumed have been reduced from 35 to 75 per cent, say the Commissioners, a discount "we feel almost certain has been abused to the extent of criminality."

## WANING OF PLATT'S HOPES.

Chances of Profit From the Third Ticket Fade Away.

New York, Oct. 4.—The side issue in the Democratic ranks, as the party that nominated Henry George has been called, has gone all to pieces with the disincarnation of Mr. George to make himself ridiculous in entering a canvass that he, the most forlorn of all political reform hopes within many years. Following Mr. George other gentlemen who have been relied upon, with the aid of Mr. Platt's check-book, to make a formidable opposition to the regular Democratic ticket, and that they cannot accept a cat's-paw-like standing in the community, and be excused from wasting time, energy and money in entering a canvass that stands out of the memory of man in less than a week after election day. There are signs in the political skies today of the party nominating Mr. Van Wyck in a formal way, which is only another way of saying that as the members cannot in conscience support the Republican machine and do not want to lose their identity as voters and politicians, they stand ready, with insignificant exceptions, to support the Democratic ticket.

There was great rebelling among Democrats last night, when it was learned that Charles W. Dayton had returned to the ranks, loyal and a worker. Mr. Dayton called yesterday afternoon at State headquarters and saw Patrick McGarran. He announced that he was prepared to work for the election of Judge Van Wyck, and as an earnest of his intention turned over a considerable sum of money to the campaign fund.

Then he stated his desires in reference to helping in the fight.

"I will take the stump," he said, "if you can use me, and I want to begin talking right off."

McGarren welcomed the former candidate on the George ticket and assured him that his services would be appreciated. Mr. Dayton asked particularly that he be assigned to speak in Syracuse October 13 with Representative Amos J. Cummings at the annual convention of the Typographical Convention. His offer was accepted at once, and his part of the work it is said, will be placed among labor men, of especial attention being devoted to the labor carriers, who have been loyal to him since he was postmaster.

## WEATHER ASSISTS HOBSON.

Work on Spanish Cruisers Progressing Rapidly.

Playa del Este, Cuba, Oct. 4.—Naval Constructor Hobson says with the present smooth water there is an excellent chance for the divers to inspect the Vizcaya and the Cristobal Colon. The divers will accordingly inspect the Vizcaya today to locate the holes.

Carpenters will soon leave here with lumber to build a camp on the shore near the wreck of the Colon for the use of the many Cubans employed there. The saving of the Colon now seems assured unless there is a gale.

The transfer of the wrecking force from the Infanta Maria Teresa to the Vizcaya will take place this week. They are erecting an immense log frame from the stern to the stern of the Vizcaya, and also across the deck over the magazines. Air bags are expected by way of Jamaica.

The big guns of the Vizcaya and the Almirante Oquendo can be saved by the use of a derrick and hoist. Edgar is to be sent out to them immediately. A second wrecking expedition is expected soon, and then work will be begun on both ships, removing the Oquendo's small guns.

The Infanta Maria Teresa will be ready to be towed north by October 15. The San Juan will be towed to the north and toward the repair boat Vulkan.

## GARCIA ON OUR PAY ROLL.

Accepts a Position to Aid in Disbanding the Army.

Santiago de Cuba, Oct. 4.—It is stated on good authority that Gen. Calixto Garcia has accepted a position with the American administration here.

Gen. Garcia is to receive \$50 a month and all expenses. He will act as a commissioner to go through the country and conduct negotiations with the Cuban army, with a view to its disbanding. He will start in a few days, and will be gone on his trip three or four weeks.

He will be accompanied by his son, Col. Carlos Garcia, and by a few of his officers. On his return he will go to the United States with Gen. Wood to confer with the authorities in Washington.

Gen. Garcia's appointment has not yet been made public here, but when it is it will give great cause for attack to the extreme party of Cubans, who look on the appointment of Gen. Castillo in the light of the United States buying up patriots with offices.

This seems a farcical position to take after the first cry, "No Cubans appointed in place of Spaniards."

In consequence of serious disorders due to the insurrection in the vicinity of Manzanillo, Gen. Lawton is dispatching the steamer Reina de los Angeles with one battalion of four companies from the Third Immunes, under Col. Ray, Gen. Wood had planned to send Gen. Castillo to the island on a mission of organization to coast towns, but now he will probably go with Col. Ray and the First Battalion of Immunes, postponing his trip along the coast. He will make an inquiry into the charges against the Cubans and endeavor to relieve the delicate situation at Manzanillo.

The Cubans have plundered the sugar estates and have committed such depredations that it became necessary for the planters to appeal to Gen. Lawton for protection.

Col. Ray's instructions are to deal with offenders with the utmost severity, putting down lawlessness with a firm hand. He has full powers to act in a summary manner and to order that the death penalty be meted out for theft or attempted violence.

Col. Ray, who has just returned from Quantico, where he was in command, reports similar troubles there with the Cuban soldiers. Gen. Periquita Perez endeavors to restrain his command, but notwithstanding the fact that the soldiers have been offered to the owners of many plantations.

Their cattle and stores have been stolen, and their cuttlemen, while endeavoring to protect their employers' property, have been shot by the Cubans.

Owners of the Confluencia, San Antonio, Los Canos, San Miguel, Esperanza and Romalia sugar estates applied to Col. Ray for protection. The Romalia estate is owned and worked by James McKinley, a cousin of the President.

Col. Ray detailed a picket, with Lieut. Col. Brooks, of the Cuban army, in command, and sent them out with the significant order not to burden themselves with two many prisoners. The result has

## OUR NEW CREDIT WAY.

## Pennies Roll Into Dollars.

A saving here, a saving there, and before you know it you've a tidy sum realized. But we're saving you more than pennies. We're giving you the chance to make dimes and nickels and quarters and half dollars. We're underselling the town in our women's departments. And the wonder of it all is that these low prices aren't necessarily for cash. You can have credit—all you want of it. Credit on your own terms. One price—the marked—to cash and time payees.

## Stockinette Dress Shields, worth 10c.

Cash or Credit, 4c.

25c Belt Hose Supporters, 15c.

You can only have one pair because we want everybody to share in the market. They're the best in the market. Made with satin belts and the web is full of life and of the finest lace. Fitted with self-closing clasp and attached to support. We want you to get a pair tomorrow at the ridiculous price, cash or credit..... 15c

18c Pillow Cases, 10c.

Made of fine muslin, strongly sewed, full size and hemstitched. We've been selling them right along at 18c. Each. Tomorrow each pair at 10c. Cash or credit..... 10c

\$1.39 Double Comfort, 98c.

These comforts are big and fluffy and soft. They're the best of the kind. They're covered with satin of good color and attractive design. Each pair worth \$1.39. Cash or credit..... 98c

Ladies' \$10 Fall Suits, \$6.98.

Natty affairs, tailored from cloth that promise the most wear. The skirts are cut very full. The jackets have rounded fronts and

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Successors to New York Clothing House, 311 Seventh St.

## STAVING OFF OCCUPATION

Spain's Officials in Havana Not in Any Hurry.

PLAY THE MANANA GAME

American Troops May Not Fully Possess the Island Until Blanco's Forces All Embark for Spain—The Madrid Government is Taking a Breathing Spell.

Notwithstanding the semi-official announcement made several days ago that the army of occupation would begin its movement to Cuba between October 15 and 20, a prominent official of the War Department stated last night that there is more delay in sight.

"I cannot see," he said, "how our army is to be gotten to the island between the dates mentioned. Everything will depend upon the Commission now at Havana and the rapidity with which the Spanish authorities transport their troops from Cuba. Our soldiers will not be sent to the island until the evacuation is complete, and with the lack of transportation facilities Spain will not be able to get her soldiers away, according to my belief, for a month or more."

Information has been received by this government that the Spanish Commissioners of Evacuation at Havana are playing for delay. A majority of the military men in Havana do not believe the war is ended, and they are forcing their belief upon the Commissioners and authorities there. The impression is current that Spain is only taking a breathing spell after the severe drubbing she received, and that through the obstinacy and assistance of the Spanish Peace Commissioners at Paris hostilities will be resumed after the evacuation of the island has been completed.

"Sagasta is shrewd," said an army officer last night. "He believes if Spain will make a big bluff by threatening, with a patriotic flourish, to resume fighting and die in the last trench if necessary before she will surrender her last possessions, she will be able to get her troops back to the United States will believe Spain is in earnest and make more liberal concessions in the matter of the Philippines. Havana is fully fortified and garrisoned, and the people here believe they can hold out against this country indefinitely. Sagasta's bluff should not be considered seriously, and this Government should demand the immediate evacuation of the island, according to the terms of the protocol, and enforce that demand with all our power."

## SMALLPOX IN NORFOLK.

General Vaccination Ordered by the Board of Health.

Norfolk, Va., Oct. 4.—Smallpox is alarmingly prevalent among the colored population. Today a colored man, broken out with smallpox, who had left his home upon a case of medical assistance, made his appearance at the city dispensary in City Hall Square, and remained there an hour and a half, when he was sent to the pesthouse. In the meantime, several police officers were stationed around to keep people from going near the man.

This makes seven or eight cases of smallpox that are now at the city pesthouse. A special meeting of the board of health was held yesterday, and a general vaccination was ordered for all persons who have not been successfully vaccinated.

## STOLE MERCHANDISE.

Cents Valued at One Thousand Dollars Taken From a Car.

Norristown, Pa., Oct. 4.—Thieves made a rich haul on a box car of the Pennsylvania Railroad which was in transit from New York to Norristown some time during Sunday night. The car was broken into, just at what place is unknown, and several cases of missses' coats were stolen. They were valued at \$1,000.

Soldier-bridgegroom Dies.

Pottsville, Pa., Oct. 4.—Pottsville mourns the loss by death of the fourth soldier from the troops which left here last April. The latest victim is Corp. Charles Webster, of Company M, Fourth Regiment, P. V. I., who was taken ill with typhoid fever on the day that the Fourth Regiment troops returned from Porto Rico.

Webster figured as the groom in a romantic wedding with Miss Clara Wolf, who married him by the side of his cot at the hospital last week.

## Clemmer Refused a New Trial.

Norristown, Pa., Oct. 4.—A new trial for James A. Clemmer was refused by Judge Wendt at 9:15 this morning. The judge rendered sentence of death. Clemmer said he had been convicted by the public press. At the conclusion of the sentence he broke down completely.

## Victim of Highwaymen.

Says He Was Beaten, Robbed and Nearly Drowned.

Philadelphia, Oct. 4.—The Camden and Stockton authorities are investigating a story of another hold-up that is said to have taken place at Pea Shore along the Delaware River yesterday afternoon. The alleged victim is James McGarvey. He claims that while engaged in washing his shirt in the river at Pea Shore three men attacked him. He says that they knocked him down, kicked him in the ribs, threw him overboard and held him in the water while robbing him.

McGarvey declares that he had \$10 in his clothes before the hold-up took place.

## Came Home Dazed.

Pittsfield, N. J., Oct. 4.—Thomas K. Leslie, a New York business man, who resides on West Front Street, this city, is at his home in a dazed condition after having been mysteriously absent from home since last Tuesday.

Leslie's mind seems to be a total blank, and he is almost a physical wreck. All that he could tell of his wanderings was that he had left a friend last Tuesday evening and that Saturday night he found himself walking in the streets of Newark.

## Worried Caused His Death.

Cape May, N. J., Oct. 4.—John J. Sturges, aged about forty-five years, died suddenly Sunday night from worry and was caused by the prospect of a severe sentence from the court yesterday. He had been indicted by the grand jury on two counts for selling liquor on Sunday.

## Fractious Horse Kills a Boy.

Bloomfield, N. J., Oct. 4.—While driving a fractious horse attached to a stone cart yesterday afternoon Tony Church, fifteen years old, was thrown out and killed. His head struck the curb and death was instantaneous. One of the wheels passed over his neck.

## Visit our basement.

In your never-ending search for bargains don't overlook our basement. There are more big values for your money here to the square inch than in any other store in town. Housefurnishings, lamps, chinaware, and all those things so precious to the heart of the housewife, can be bought in our down-stairs store for much less than others ask for similar qualities. Just to get you to visit the basement while the Anniversary Sale is in progress, we have made greater values than ever.

Fancy etched crystal gas globes, 4 or 5-inch size—15c

Extra strong nickel-plated gas lighters, made with solid walnut handle, 2 boxes of wax tapers, and a dozen boxes of Swedish safety matches, all for..... 27c

Solid zinc wash boards, made in the most substantial manner, will last a long time, for..... 9c

Japanese toothpicks, in pocket cases, will go for..... 1c

One quart size gray enamel drip coffee pots, will go at..... 29c

Genuine Carlsbad china tea sets of 56 pieces—in delicate floral decorations with dainty gold trimmings—which are worth \$5.38 to \$7.48—will be offered for..... \$4.98

The best American porcelain dinner sets, of 100 pieces, in the handsomest hand-painted decorations, with the dainty gold trimmings—will be offered at another special Anniversary value at..... \$7.98

Wrappers, 9c.

As a special Anniversary value we shall offer a lot of 50 dozen dark-colored print wrappers, with separate waist lining and full skirts, in such desirable colorings as navy, garnet and black—which are worth almost double for 40 cents. Uncommonly well made—nicely finished—splendid garments.

Wrappers, 75c.

Again as a special Anniversary value we offer 35 dozen percale wrappers—braided trimmings—extra full and wide skirt—bound armholes—of the very same sort which we have right here in stock at 98c, for only 75c. Every garment in the lot is perfectly made and well finished.

Ladies' 50c waists, 29c.

14 dozen ladies' fancy flannellette waists, in a large variety of patterns, and in the most attractive colorings—which are nicely made, and perfect fitting, and the usual 50c value, will be offered as a special Anniversary value at 29 cents each.

Ladies' cloth waists, \$1.39.

In dozen ladies' all-wool cloth waists, which are richly braided trimmings—and handsomely finished—in pink, navy, green, and garnet—very stylish garments, sure to please any woman's taste, will be offered as a special Anniversary value at \$1.39.

## Goldenberg's,

"The Dependable Store."

924-926-928 Seventh Street,

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## THE EPISCOPAL CONVENTION.

A Special Souvenir Edition of The Times.

Tomorrow morning's edition of The Times will be largely devoted to the Triennial Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church of America, which begins its sessions tomorrow morning in Epiphany Church.

The matter will be illustrated with nearly 100 portraits, including the bishops, a number of the local Episcopal ministers and the chairmen of the committees having in charge the arrangements of the convention.

This will be the largest gathering of the bishops and clergy of the Protestant Episcopal Church of America that has ever taken place. It is the first time in the history of the church that a convention of this character has been held in the city of Washington.

In addition to the matter above mentioned, The Times will also print a history of the church as established in England, and also its early history in the United States. It will be a most complete presentation of every detail connected with the great convention, and will be an edition of extraordinary value.

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